reason for more than 30 days, the Secretary will, upon application by the mortgagee, agree to accept an assignment of the mortgage.

(e) Filing assignment for record. Within 30 days of the Secretary's written agreement to accept assignment of a defaulted mortgage, or within such additional time as the Secretary authorizes in writing, the mortgagee must file the assignment for record.

(Information collection requirements in paragraph (b) were approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 2502-0169)

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§ 203.351 Application for insurance benefits and fiscal data.

On the date the assignment of the mortgage is filed for record, the mortgagee shall forward to the Commissioner the prescribed application for insurance benefits and fiscal data pertaining to the mortgage transaction, together with the receipts covering all disbursements, as required by the fiscal data form. In addition, the following requirements shall be met:

- (a) Items to be included with application. The following items shall be forwarded to the Commissioner with the application:
- (1) Credit and security instrument. The original credit and security instruments assigned without recourse or warranty, except that no act or omission of the mortgagee shall have impaired the validity and priority of the mortgage.
- (2) Recorded assignment instrument. The original of the recorded assignment of mortgage. If the original of the assignment is not available, a copy shall be furnished and the original forwarded as soon as possible.
- (3) Hazard insurance. All hazard insurance policies held in connection with the mortgaged property, together with a copy of the mortgagee's notification to the carrier authorizing the amendment of the loss payable clause substituting the Commissioner as the mortgagee.
- (4) Rights and interests. An assignment of all rights and interests arising

under the mortgage, and all claims of the mortgagee against the mortgagor or others arising out of the mortgage transaction.

- (5) *Property*. All property of the mortgagor held by the mortgagee or to which it is entitled (other than the cash items which are to be retained by the mortgagee).
- (6) Records and accounts. All records, ledger cards, documents, books, papers and accounts relating to the mortgage transaction.
- (7) Additional information. Any additional information or data which the Commissioner may require.
- (8) Title evidence. All title evidence held by the mortgagee. It need not be extended to include the recordation of the assignment. If a mortgagee's title policy is furnished, the Commissioner shall be a named insured under such policy.
- (b) Items to be retained by mortgagee. The mortgagee shall retain all cash amounts held or deposited for the account of the mortgagor or to which it is entitled under the mortgage transaction that have not been applied in reduction of the principal mortgage indebtedness.
- (c) Title evidence for mortgages insured under §203.43d as set forth in §203.385 shall accompany the application for insurance benefits.

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$\S 203.353$ Certification by mortgagee.

- At the time of assignment of the mortgage, the mortgagee shall certify to the Commissioner that:
- (a) Priority of mortgage to liens. The mortgage is prior to all mechanics' and materialmen's liens filed of record, regardless of when such liens attach, and prior to all liens and encumbrances, or defects which may arise except such liens or other matters as may have been approved by the Commissioner;
- (b) Amount due. The amount stated in the instrument of assignment is actually due and owing under the mortgage:
- (c) Offsets or counterclaims. There are no offsets or counterclaims thereto and the mortgagee has a good right to assign.